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I'd like to register my dissatisfaction with the DoJ-Microsoft Settlement as it currently stands. I've been a personal computer user for 25 years and an instructor for eight and I've seen countless examples of how Microsoft has acquired and then abused it's monopoly power in operating systems. Microsoft's actions have clearly, in my view, hindered, not advanced the cause of innovation. Microsoft has not created but flouted computing and networking standards, to its own individual advantage. It appeared ample evidence of this was presented at trial.

What we are seeing in the current proposed settlement is not "justice," but money at work.

Microsoft should be assessed substantial penalties for its behavior and should be prevented by a fair settlement from continuing to abuse its market position, something it shows, at present, every evidence of meaning to continue.

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